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**Request  
For  
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<i>Application Number</i>	09/827,563
<i>Filing Date</i>	04/06/2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Marion Calmer
<i>Art Unit</i>	3671
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Nathan Scott Mammen
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	P3098

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

a.  Previously submitted

i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply      iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
ii.  Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)      iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)  
b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fees

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ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1002 330	2002 165			Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260			Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375			Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80			Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>				(\$)	0.00

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Multiple Dependent	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
			-20** =		
			-3** =		

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1201 84	2201 42			Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 280	2203 140			Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204 84	2204 42			** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 18	2205 9			** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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1051 130	2051 65			Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25			Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130			Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520			For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55			Extension for reply within first month	55.00
1252 410	2252 205			Extension for reply within second month	
1253 930	2253 465			Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,450	2254 725			Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 1,970	2255 985			Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 320	2401 160			Notice of Appeal	
1402 320	2402 160			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 280	2403 140			Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510			Petition to Institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55			Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,300	2453 650			Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,300	2501 650			Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 470	2502 235			Design issue fee	
1503 630	2503 315			Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130			Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50			Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806 180	1806 180			Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	8021 40			Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809 750	2809 375			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810 750	2810 375			For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 750	2801 375			Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	375.00
1802 900	1802 900			Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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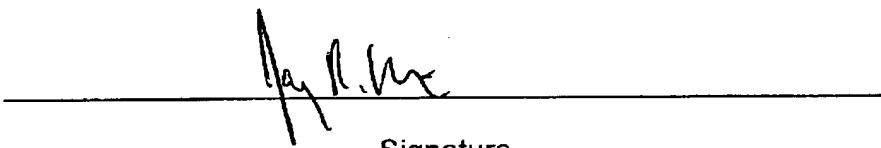
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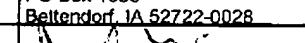
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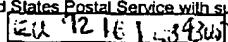
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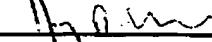
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